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Banks.

THE YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK, LIMITED.

ESTABLISHED 1880.
CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED ¥24,000,000
CAPITAL PAID-UP " 18,000,000
CAPITAL UNCALLED " 6,000,000
RESERVE FUND " 9,210,000

Head Office:—YOKOHAMA.

Branches and Agencies:
TOKIO. KOBE.
NAGASAKI. LONDON.
LYONS. NEW YORK.
SAN FRANCISCO. HONOLULU.
BOMBAY. SHANGHAI.
TIENSIN. NEWCHANG.
PEKING.

LONDON BANKERS:
THE LONDON JOINT STOCK BANK, LD.
THE UNION OF LONDON AND SMITHS BANK, LD.

HONGKONG BRANCH—INTEREST ALLOWED.
On Current Account at the rate of 2 per cent. per Annum on the Daily Balance.
On fixed deposits for 12 months at 5 per cent.

TARO HODSUMI,
Manager.

Hongkong, 11th September, 1903. [21]

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL.....\$10,000,000
RESERVE FUND.....\$16,000,000
Sterling Reserve.....\$10,000,000
Silver Reserve.....\$6,000,000
RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROPRIETORS.....\$10,000,000

COURT OF DIRECTORS:
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CHIEF MANAGER:
Hongkong—J. R. M. SMITH.

Shanghai—H. M. BEVIS.

LONDON BANKERS—LONDON AND COUNTY BANKING COMPANY, LIMITED.

HONGKONG—INTEREST ALLOWED:
On Current Account at the rate of 2 per cent. per Annum on the daily balance.

ON FIXED DEPOSITS:
For 3 months, 2 1/2 per cent. per Annum.
For 6 months, 3 per cent. per Annum.
For 12 months, 4 per cent. per Annum.

J. R. M. SMITH,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 17th August, 1903. [22]

HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

THE Business of the above Bank is conducted by the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION. Rules may be obtained on application.

INTEREST on deposits is allowed at 3 1/2 PER CENT. per annum.

Depositors may transfer at their option balances of \$100 or more to the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANK to be placed on FIXED DEPOSIT at 4 PER CENT. per annum.

For the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION,
J. R. M. SMITH,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 1st May, 1902. [23]

THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA, LIMITED.

Authorized Capital.....\$1,000,000
Paid up Capital.....\$324,374

HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.

Board of Directors:—
Chan Kit Shan, Esq., J. Scott Harton, Esq.
Chow Tung Shing, Esq., J. Lau, Esq.

Chief Manager:
GEO. W. F. PLAYFAIR.

Interest for 12 months Fixed.....5 1/2 %
Hongkong, 12th May, 1903. [18]

THE DEUTSCH ASIATISCHE BANK.

PAID-UP CAPITAL.....Sh. Tael 5,000,000

HEAD OFFICE—SHANGHAI.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS: BERLIN.

BRANCHES: Calcutta, Hankow, Tientsin, Tsingtau (Kiautschow).

LONDON BANKERS: Messrs. N. M. ROTHSCHILD & SONS, UNION OF LONDON AND SMITHS BANK, LTD.

DEUTSCHE BANK (BERLIN), LONDON AGENCY DIRECTION DER DISCONTO GESELLSCHAFT.

INTEREST allowed on Current Account. DEPOSITS received on terms which may be learned on application. Every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

H. FIGGE,
Manager.

Hongkong, 1st September, 1903. [25]

"CROW'S NEST"—FULLY FURNISHED. BARKER ROAD.

CHEAPEST HOUSES IN THE COLONY.

MORRISON HILL GAP ROAD. Nice Houses, 4 Rooms, Bath Rooms, Out-houses and Verandahs. Only \$40 inclusive of Taxes.

WILD DELL BUILDINGS, No. 147, WANCHAI ROAD. Comfortable and Airy Flats of 2 or 3 Rooms, from \$25 inclusive of Taxes.

S. A. SETH,
Land and Estate Broker,
Dairy Farm Co., Ltd.

Hongkong, 6th January, 1903. [46]

HONGKONG HOTEL.

Military Band during dinner on Saturday Nights.

Hongkong, 4th December, 1903. [30]

GUARANTY TRUST COMPANY OF NEW YORK (AMERICAN BANK).

ESTABLISHED 1864.
PAID UP CAPITAL.....U.S. Gold \$2,000,000
SURPLUS AND UNDIVIDED PROFITS.....\$5,180,000

Gold \$7,180,000

Head Office—NEW YORK.

LONDON OFFICE:
33 and 35, Lombard Street, E.C.

F. C. Bishop, Manager, Eastern Department.

LONDON BANKERS: PARR'S BANK, LIMITED.

HONGKONG OFFICE:
4, DES VUEX ROAD.

General Banking and Exchange business transacted.

INTEREST ALLOWED
On Current Accounts at 2 1/2 per annum.
On Fixed Deposits:
For 3 months 2 1/2 per annum.
" 6 " 3 1/2 " "
" 12 " 4 1/2 " "

E. F. GROS,
Acting Manager.

Hongkong, 1st December, 1902. [20]

INTERNATIONAL BANKING CORPORATION.

CAPITAL, SURPLUS AND UNDIVIDED PROFITS, GOLD \$7,992,173.37—about £1,549,000.

CAPITAL AND SURPLUS AUTHORIZED GOLD \$10,000,000—£2,055,000.

HEAD OFFICE:
1, WALL STREET, NEW YORK.

LONDON OFFICE:
THREEDNEEDLE HOUSE, E.C.

BRANCHES AT:
SAN FRANCISCO, WASHINGTON, MEXICO, MANILA, SHANGHAI, SINGAPORE, YOKOHAMA, BOMBAY, CALCUTTA

AND AGENTS ALL OVER THE WORLD.

LONDON AND CONTINENTAL BANKERS:

NATIONAL PROVINCIAL BANK OF ENGLAND, LIMITED.

UNION OF LONDON AND SMITHS BANK, LTD.

CREDIT LYONNAIS, DRESDENER BANK, COMPTOIR NATIONAL D'ESCOMPTE DE PARIS, &C.

THE Corporation transacts every Description of Banking and Exchange Business, receives Money in Current Account and issues Fixed Deposit Receipts either in Gold or Silver at Rates which may be ascertained on Application.

HONGKONG BRANCH:
20, DES VUEX ROAD CENTRAL.

CHARLES R. SCOTT,
Manager.

Hongkong, 14th December, 1903. [19]

IMPERIAL BANK OF CHINA.

ESTABLISHED BY IMPERIAL DECREE OF THE 12TH NOVEMBER, 1896.

Shanghai Tael.

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL.....5,000,000
PAID-UP CAPITAL.....2,500,000

HEAD OFFICE—SHANGHAI.

Branches and Agencies:
CANTON. PENANG.
CHEFOO. SINGAPORE.
HANKOW. TIENSIN.
PEKING.

THE Bank purchases and receives for collection Bills of Exchange drawn on the above places, and Sells Drafts and Telegraphic Transfers Payable at its Branches and Agencies.

HONGKONG BRANCH:
Advances made on approved securities. Bills discounted.

INTEREST ALLOWED ON DEPOSITS.
3 1/2 per annum Fixed Deposits for 3 months.
4 1/2 " " " 6 " "
5 1/2 " " " 12 " "

E. W. RUTTER,
Manager.

Hongkong, 12th August, 1903. [18]

THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA AND CHINA.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER, 1853.

HEAD OFFICE—LONDON.

CAPITAL PAID-UP.....£800,000

RESERVE LIABILITY OF SHAREHOLDERS.....£800,000

RESERVE FUND.....£735,000

INTEREST ALLOWED ON CURRENT ACCOUNT at the Rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the Daily Balances.

On Fixed Deposits for 12 months 4 per cent.
" " " 6 " 3 1/2 " "
" " " 3 " 3 " "

T. P. COCHRANE,
Manager.

Hongkong, 24th December, 1903. [24]

TO LET.

No. 1, RIPON TERRACE in FLATS.

No. 4, RIPON TERRACE.

No. 15, WONG NEI CHONG ROAD, facing Race Course.

FLATS in MORETON TERRACE, facing Polo Ground.

OFFICES in course of erection, CONNAUGHT ROAD (near BLAKE PIER).

GODOWN No. 34, BLUE BUILDINGS.

GODOWNS: PRAYA EAST.

Apply to
THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY CO., LD.

Hongkong, 1st December, 1903. [165]

Ships.

PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

FOR LONDON AND ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, PORT SAID and MARSEILLES.

SINGAPORE, COLOMBO and BOMBAY (Calling at Penang if sufficient inducement offers).

YOKOHAMA VIA SHANGHAI, MOJI and KOBE (Passing through the Inland Sea).

For Further Particulars, apply to

E. A. HEWETT, Superintendent.

Hongkong, 15th January, 1904. [4]

IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD. HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE.

STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUZ, PORT SAID, NAPLES, GENOA, ANTWERP, BREMEN/HAMBURG; PORTS IN THE LEVANT, BLACK SEA AND BALTIC PORTS; LONDON, NEW YORK, BOSTON, BALTIMORE, NEW ORLEANS, GALVESTON, AND SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS;

Steamers will call at GIBRALTAR and SOUTHAMPTON to land Passengers and Luggage.

M.B.—Cargo can be taken on through Bills of Lading for the Principal Places in Russia.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.)

STEAMERS. SAILING DATES.
BAYERN.....WEDNESDAY, 20th January, 1904.
SACHSEN.....WEDNESDAY, 23rd February, 1904.
GERA.....WEDNESDAY, 27th February, 1904.
SEYDLITZ.....WEDNESDAY, 2nd March, 1904.
ROON.....WEDNESDAY, 16th March, 1904.
PREUSSEN.....WEDNESDAY, 30th March, 1904.
HAMBURG.....WEDNESDAY, 13th April, 1904.
PRINZ HEINRICH.....WEDNESDAY, 27th April, 1904.

* Steamers of the Hamburg-Amerika Linie.

ON WEDNESDAY, the 20th day of January, 1904, at Noon, the Steamship "BAYERN" of the NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, Captain H. Förmes, with MALES, PASSENGERS, SPECIE and CARGO, will leave this Port as above, Calling at NAPLES and GENOA.

Shipping Orders will be granted till NOON, on MONDAY, the 18th instant, Cargo and Specie will be received on Board until 5 P.M., on TUESDAY, the 19th instant, and Parcels will be received at the Agency's Office until NOON, on TUESDAY, the 19th instant. Contents of Packages are required. No Parcel Receipts will be signed for less than \$2.50 and Parcels should not exceed Two Feet Cubic in Measurement.

The Steamer has splendid Accommodation and carries a Doctor and Stewardesses. Linen can be washed on board.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

For further Particulars, apply to

MELCHERS & CO.,
AGENTS.

Hongkong, 6th January, 1904. [13]

Entimations.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

THE FAVOURITE BRAND FOR TWENTY YEARS.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO. NAPIER JOHNSTONES BOTTLE WHISKY. AS SUPPLIED TO THE LEADING CLUBS AND HOTELS. PRICE: Per Dozen \$17.00. Per Bottle \$1.50.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

Hongkong, 2nd January, 1904. [38]

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A FIRST CLASS HOTEL, most centrally situated; Well furnished and Airy Bedrooms. Monthly Boarders accommodated on very moderate terms. For Particulars apply to THE MANAGER.

NOTICE

TO THE WEARIED.

There is no nicer place to spend a few days in quiet rest, than MACAO.

And there is no more Comfortable Hotel in the Far East, than the

MACAO HOTEL.

W. J. FARMER,
Proprietor.

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Entimations.



The Bovril Bottle

is familiar in the homes of Britishers the world over—in Great Britain itself Bovril is looked upon as the great national "stand-by" in case of failing strength. Bovril is the very embodiment of nourishment. It imparts strength in a most effective manner, and is, at the same time, extremely palatable.

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JAPAN COALS.

THE MITSUI BUSSAN KAISHA (MITSUI & Co.)

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LONDON BRANCH—34, LINE STREET, E.C.
HONGKONG BRANCH—PRINCE'S BUILDINGS, ICE HOUSE STREET.

OTHER OFFICES:

New York, San Francisco, Hamburg, Bombay, Singapore, Sourabaya, Manila, Amoy, Shanghai, Chefoo, Tientsin, Newchwang, Port Arthur, Seoul, Chemulpo, Yokohama, Yokosuka, Nagoya, Osaka, Kobe, Maidaru, Kure, Shimonoeki, Moji, Wakamatsu, Karatsu, Nagasaki, Kuchinotsu, Sasebo, Milke, Hakodate, Taipei, &c.

Telegraphic Address: "MITSUI" (A.B.O. and A 1 Codes).

CONTRACTORS OF COAL to the Imperial Japanese Navy and Arsenal and the State Railways; Principal Railway Companies and Industrial Works; Home and Foreign Mail and Freight Steamers.

SOLE PROPRIETORS of the Famous Moke, Tagawa, Yamano and Ida Coal Mines; and SOLE AGENTS for Fujimotono Hokeku, Hondo, Ichimura, Kanada, Mameda, Mannoura, Onoura, Otsuji, Sasahara, Tsubakuro, Yoshinouni, Yostio, Yuoakibara and other Coals. N. INUZUKA, Manager, Hongkong, C]

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WINE MERCHANTS,

12 QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

Picnic parties furnished with wines, etc., at a moment's notice.

Contracts made on special terms with Caterers, Committees, Messes and Captains of Steamers. All Wines, Spirits and Beers supplied are guaranteed.

Price list on application. TELEPHONE No. 135.

Hongkong, 13rd July, 1903. [41]

CALDBECK, MACGREGOR & Co.,

WINE AND SPIRIT MERCHANTS.

15, QUEEN'S ROAD,

HONGKONG.

Telephone No. 75.

LONDON—RANGOON STREET, CRUTCHED FRIARS.

GLASGOW—ST. ENOCH'S SQUARE.

SHANGHAI—FOOCHOW ROAD.

SINGAPORE—RAFFLES QUAY.

Hongkong, 12th January, 1904. [42]

INCANDESCENT GAS LIGHT.

The attention of consumers is drawn to the fact that the Undersigned, being Sole Agents for

DR. AUER VON WELSBACH Co.,

VIENNA,

THE INVENTORS OF INCANDESCENT GAS LIGHT.

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FIFTY CENTS per piece.

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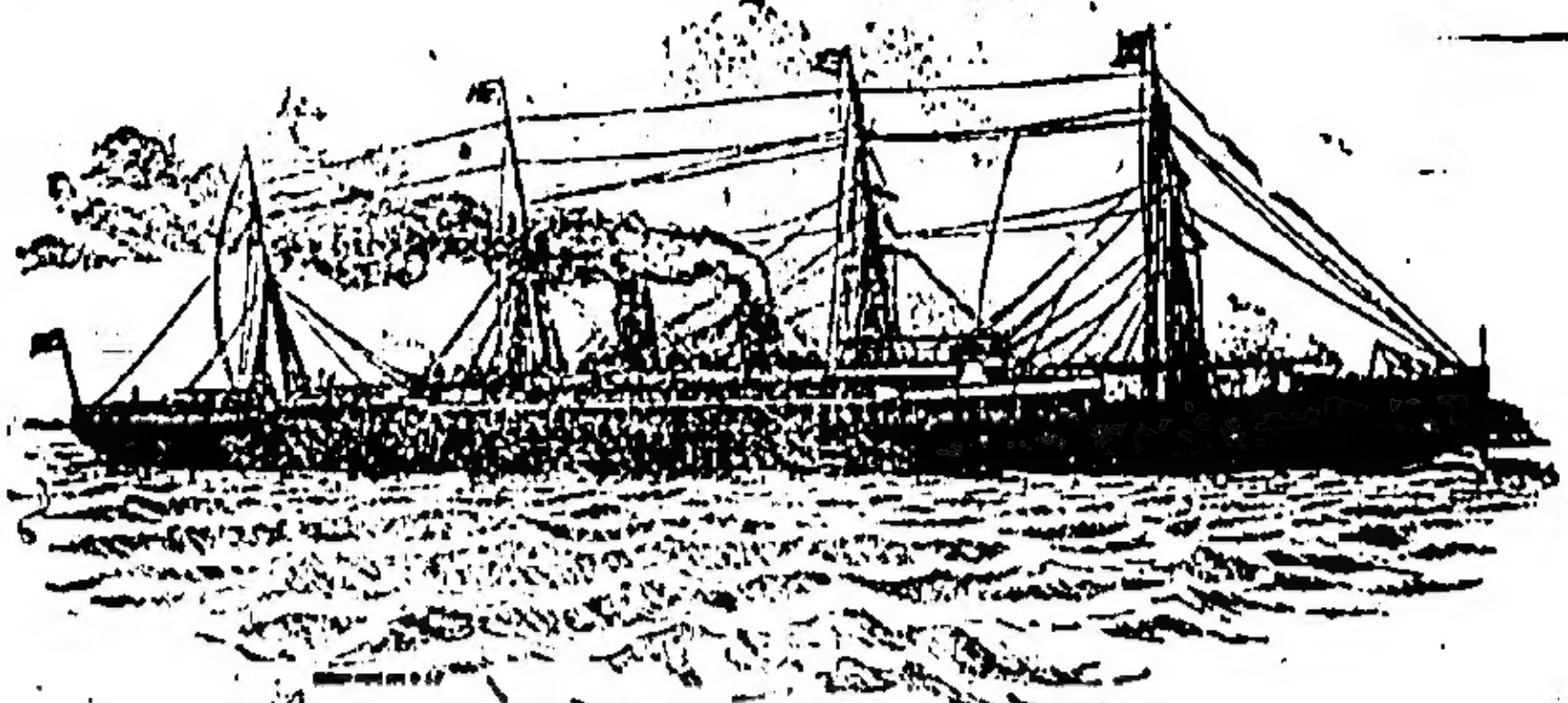
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CONNAUGHT HOUSE,

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Hails.

U.S. MAIL LINES.



PACIFIC MAIL S.S. CO., OCCIDENTAL S.S. CO.,
TOYO KISEN KAISHA.

TAKING PASSENGERS AND CARGO TO JAPAN, THE UNITED STATES, MEXICO,
CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA AND EUROPE;

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

"CHINA"	5,060 Gross Tons	WEDNESDAY, 20th January, at Daylight.
"DORIO"	4,784 "	FRIDAY, 29th January, at Noon.
"NIPPON MARU"	6,307 "	SATURDAY, 6th February, at Noon.
"BIBERIA"	11,284 "	SATURDAY, 13th February, at Noon.
"COPTIC"	4,352 "	TUESDAY, 23rd February, at Noon.
"AMERICA MARU"	6,307 "	WEDNESDAY, 2nd March, at Noon.
"KOREA"	11,276 "	THURSDAY, 10th March, at Noon.
"GAELIC"	4,205 "	SATURDAY, 19th March, at Noon.
"HONGKONG MARU"	6,307 "	SATURDAY, 26th March, at Noon.

Record Trip Yokohama to San Francisco made by s.s. "KOREA," 11,276 tons, Oct. 18th 28th, 1902; 10 days, 15 hours.

The P. M. Company's Steamship "CHINA" will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, via SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU, on WEDNESDAY, the 20th instant, at Daylight, taking Freight for Japan, the United States, and Europe. Passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point en route.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers, and to the principal cities of the United States or Canada.

Passengers holding through ORDERS TO EUROPE have the choice of the Overland Rail Routes from San Francisco, including the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER and RIO GRANDE, and other direct connecting Railways, and from Chicago to destination the choice of direct lines.

Passengers holding Orders for OVERLAND CITIES in the United States have between SAN FRANCISCO and CHICAGO, the option of the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER and RIO GRANDE, and other direct connecting Railways, and from Chicago to destination the choice of direct lines.

Special rates (First-class only) to European Ports, are granted to Missionaries, Members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic and Consular Services, and European Civil Service Officials located in Asia, and to European Officials in the Service of the Governments of China and Japan.

TO UNITED STATES and CANADIAN PORTS, Special rates (first class only) are granted and will apply only to Missionaries, Members of the Naval and Military Services, and to Consular and Diplomatic Officials of the Governments of China and Japan.

Through Bills of Lading issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and Inland Cities of the United States, via Overland Railway, to Havana, Trinidad, and Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central and South America, by the Companies' and connecting Steamers.

FEATURES OF THIS LINE.

The largest and steadiest and fastest passenger ships on the Pacific. Southern Route; passengers enjoy out-doors throughout; deck bathing. The call at Honolulu, Oahu, the most fertile and beautiful island of the Pacific. The only line to San Francisco, the greatest port of the Pacific.

Sailings positively on schedule date. For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Companies, Queen's Building.

Hongkong, 13th January, 1904. J. STUART THOMSON, Acting Agent.

CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY COY'S
ROYAL MAIL STEAMSHIP LINE.

THE FAST ROUTE BETWEEN CHINA, JAPAN AND EUROPE, VIA CANADA AND THE UNITED STATES.

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SAFETY. SPEED. PUNCTUALITY.

SAVING 3 TO 7 DAYS ACROSS THE PACIFIC.

"EXPRESS" Twin Screw Steamships—6,000 Tons—10,000 Horse Power—Speed 19 Knots.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.—(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION)

R.M.S. "ATHENIAN" 3,882 Tons WEDNESDAY, 27th January.

"EMPRESS OF INDIA" 6,000 " WEDNESDAY, 10th February.

"TARTAR" 4,415 " WEDNESDAY, 24th February.

"EMPRESS OF JAPAN" 6,000 " WEDNESDAY, 9th March.

"EMPRESS OF CHINA" 6,000 " WEDNESDAY, 23rd March.

Hongkong to London, 1st Class, £40. Via St. Lawrence £60. Via New York £62.

Hongkong to London, Intermediate on Steamers, and 1st Class Rail £40. £42.

THE magnificent Twin-screw "EMPRESS" Steamships pass through the famous INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and usually make the voyage YOKOHAMA TO VANCOUVER (B.C.) in 12 DAYS, and make connection with the PALATIAL OVERLAND TRAINS FROM THE PACIFIC TO THE ATLANTIC WITHOUT CHANGE.

Passengers Booked through to all principal points and AROUND THE WORLD.

SPECIAL RATES (First class only) granted to Missionaries, Members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic and Civil Services, and to European Officials in the Service of Chinese and Japanese Governments.

For further information, Maps, Guides, Hand Books, Rates of Freight and Passage, apply to.

Hongkong, 13th January, 1904. D. E. BROWN, General Agent, 9, Pedder's Street.

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE.
NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

Ostasiatischer Frachtdampfer Dienst.

(Taking Cargo at through Rates to ANTWERP, AMSTERDAM, ROTTERDAM, COPENHAGEN, LISBON, OPORTO, LONDON, LIVERPOOL, GLASGOW, TRIESTE, GENOA, PORTS IN THE LEVANT, BLACK SEA and BALTIC PORTS; NORTH and SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS).

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

STREAMERS.	DESTINATIONS.	SAILING DATES.
AMBRIA	HAVRE and HAMBURG.	18th January.
Duckstein	(Calling at SINGAPORE and COLOMBO).	
WURZBURG	HAVRE, BREMEN and HAMBURG.	30th January.
v. Buzier	(Calling at SINGAPORE and PENANG).	
ALESIA	HAVRE and HAMBURG.	6th February.
Schoenfeldt	(Calling at SINGAPORE and COLOMBO).	
SITHONIA	HAVRE and HAMBURG.	23rd Feb.
Hildebrandt	(Calling at SINGAPORE and PENANG).	
BAMBERG	HAVRE and HAMBURG.	8th March.
Miloslav	(Calling at SINGAPORE and COLOMBO).	

For further Particulars, apply to HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE, HONGKONG OFFICE, No. 1, Queen's Buildings.

Hongkong, 13th January, 1904.

GO TO THE
KOWLOON HOTEL,
KOWLOON.
J. W. OSBORNE,
Proprietor and Manager.

Shipping—Steamers.

HONGKONG, CANTON, MACAO AND
WEST RIVER STEAMERS.

JOINT SERVICE OF THE HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO
STEAMBOAT CO., LTD., AND THE CHINA NAVIGATION
COMPANY, LTD.

HONGKONG-CANTON LINE.

S.S. "HONAM,"	2,363 tons,	Captain H. D. Jones.
"POWAN,"	2,338 "	G. F. Morrison, R.N.R.
"FATSHAN,"	2,269 "	A. W. Dixon.
"HANKOW,"	3,073 "	C. V. Lloyd.
"KINSHAN,"	2,860 "	J. J. Lossius.

Departures from HONGKONG to CANTON daily at 8 A.M. (Sunday excepted) and at 5.30 P.M. (Saturday excepted).

Departures from CANTON to HONGKONG daily at 8 A.M. and 5 P.M. (Sunday excepted).

These Steamers, carrying His Majesty's Mails, are the largest and fastest on the River. Special attention is drawn to their Superior Saloon and Cabin accommodation.

SERVICE OF THE HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD.
HONGKONG-MACAO LINE.

S.S. "HEUNGSHAN," 1,998 tons, Captain W. E. Clarke.
Departures from Hongkong to Macao daily at 2 P.M. (Sunday excepted).

Departures from Macao to Hongkong daily at 8 A.M. (Sunday excepted).

CANTON-MACAO LINE.

S.S. "LUNGSHAN," 2,219 tons, Captain T. Hamlin.
This steamer leaves Canton for Macao every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday at about 7.30 A.M.; and leaves Macao for Canton every Monday, Wednesday and Friday at about 7.30 A.M.

JOINT SERVICE OF THE H.K., C. AND MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD., THE CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LTD., AND THE INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LTD.

CANTON-WUCHOW LINE.

S.S. "SAINAM," 88 tons, Captain B. Branch.
"NANNING," 59 tons, C. Butchart.
"TAK HING," 618 tons, R. D. Thomas.

Departures from Canton and Wuchow about five times every week. Round trips take about 5 days. These vessels have Superior Cabin accommodation and are lighted throughout by electricity.

Further particulars may be obtained at the Office of the HONGKONG, CANTON & MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD., 18, Bank Buildings, Queen's Road Central, opposite the Hongkong Hotel.

Or of BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents, CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LTD.
Hongkong, 7th November, 1903.

Intimations.

PORTRAITS, GROUPS, ENLARGING, AND
COPYING IN ALL SIZES.

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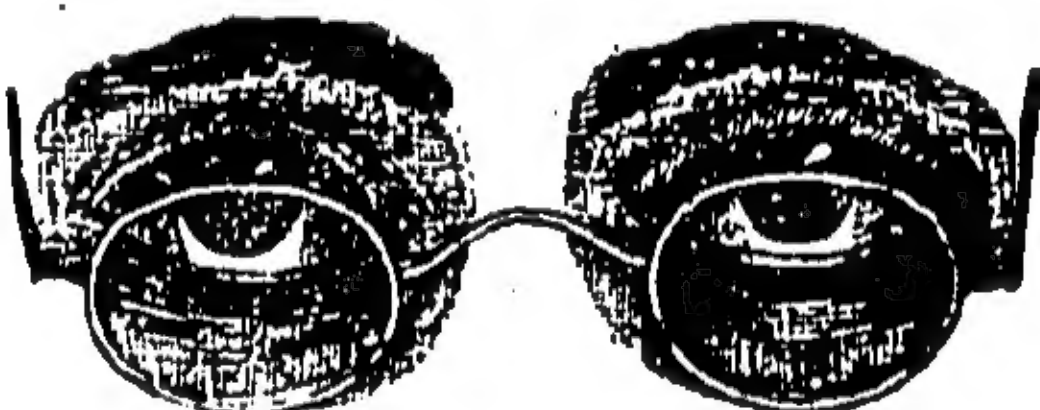
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LADIES' SPECIAL TOILET ROOM.

PATRONAGE RESPECTFULLY SOLICITED.

Hongkong, 6th November, 1903.

EYE-SIGHT.



Mr. N. LAZARUS

May be personally consulted for SPECTACLES.

No charge for testing the eyes.

Glasses and frames of all kinds and qualities.

Prices from \$2 upwards.

16, QUEEN'S ROAD, CENTRAL.

Hongkong, 6th November, 1903.

THE CONNAUGHT HOUSE,
QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

A FIRST CLASS HOTEL SITUATED NEAR THE BANKS AND PRINCIPAL OFFICES. EXCELLENT CUISINE AND WINES.

Large and lofty Rooms Elegantly Furnished. Hydraulic Elevator.

Hot and Cold Water throughout. Special Rates for Tourists.

Launch Service for Guests.

For Terms, apply to THE MANAGER.

Hongkong, 1st November, 1902.

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A FIRST CLASS PILSENER BEER guaranteed free from Salicylic Acid, and any other Chemicals.

PRICE \$10.50 per case of 48 bottles (quarts) or 6 doz. pints.

Special Prices for Quantities.

Sole Agents—SIEMSEN & CO.

Hongkong, 10th January, 1903.

MEE CHEUNG,

PHOTOGRAPHER,
TOP FLOOR OF ICE HOUSE, IN
ICE HOUSE ROAD.

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Hongkong, 2nd July, 1900.

THE KOWLOON LAND AND BUILDING COMPANY, LIMITED.

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By Order of the Board of Directors,
A. SHELTON HOOPER,
Secretary to
The Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Co., Limited,
General Agents for
The Kowloon Land and Building Company, Limited.

Hongkong, 5th January, 1904.

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The West Point Building Co., Limited.

Hongkong, 9th January, 1904.

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THE REGISTRATION OF TRADE MARKS ORDINANCE, 1898.

APPLICATION FOR REGISTRATION OF TRADE MARK.

NOTICE is hereby given that LEONARD SCHADE VAN WESTRUM, of Berlin, Germany, Merchant, has on the 12th day of September, 1903, applied for the Registration, in Hongkong, in the Register of Trade Marks, of the following Trade Mark:—The Arbitrary Word "Westrumite," in the Name of Leonard Schade van Westrum who claims to be the Proprietor thereof. The Trade Mark has been used by the Applicant since April, 1903, in respect of the following Goods:—Means consisting of Water mixed with Oily Substances for the preventing Formation of Dust and Dust Explosions in Class 5. A Facsimile of the Trade Mark can be seen at the Office of the Colonial Secretary of Hongkong.

Dated the 15th day of December, 1903.
DENNIS & BOWLEY,
Solicitors for the Applicant.

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OWNERS OF HOUSES situated in the Eastern Division of the City of Victoria and in the Eastern Division of Kowloon are hereby notified that under No. 5 of the Domestic Cleanliness and Ventilation By-laws any Domestic Building or part of such Building which is occupied by members of more than one family shall, unless specially exempted by the Board, be LIMEWASHED AND CLEANSED throughout to the satisfaction of the Board during the months of JANUARY and FEBRUARY.

The Sanitary Board being convinced of the necessity of Cleanliness in its efforts to stamp out Plague, is determined to rigorously prosecute any owner in default after the 29th FEBRUARY.

NOTE.—The Boundaries of the above Districts have been ALTERED and are now as follows:—

THE EASTERN DIVISION OF THE CITY IS BOUNDED ON THE WEST BY GRAHAM STREET, AND ON THE EAST BY THE EASTERN DIVISION OF KOWLOON IS BOUNDED ON THE WEST BY ROBINSON ROAD AND A STRAIGHT LINE DRAWN FROM THE NORTH END THEREOF THROUGH THE YAMUAT RESERVOIR TO THE NORTHERN BOUNDARY OF KOWLOON.

By Order,
G. A. WOODCOCK,
Secretary.

Sanitary Board Office,
4th January, 1904.

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Hongkong, 9th January, 1904.

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Hongkong, 8th January, 1904.

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Hongkong, 20th March, 1903.

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THE Beer to drink in the tropics is the Beer
made in the tropics—SAN MIGUEL.

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HONGKONG, SATURDAY, JANUARY 16, 1904.

RUSSIA AND HER RAILWAY.

In connection with the present crisis and
the probable outbreak of hostilities between
Russia and Japan in the near future much
has been written with regard to the relative
strength of the two nations as war powers.
In reviewing the land forces of Russia parti-
cular importance has often been given to
the enormous masses of fighting men she
can dispose of, and comparisons have been
made between the teeming hordes of steep-
bearded Cossacks and the brave, but limited,
forces of Japan. Our local contemporary,
the *South China Morning Post*, has given an
account of an interesting interview with the
Russian Consul in this city, during which
Mr. C. de Bolozowsky laid particular stress
on the overwhelming forces at the disposal
of his Government. That there is still some
truth in the famous military axiom, *Le bon
Dieu est avec les gros escadrons*, there can be
no doubt; but everything depends on the
facilities existing for bringing these *gros
escadrons* to the fighting line. That the Russian
Army is the most powerful, so far as numbers
are concerned, is an accepted fact, but that
she could, in event of war, dispose of even a
quarter of her *effectifs* to face a Japanese
invasion of Manchuria, and that the existing
means of communication, stretching from
her base in Europe right across the continent
of Asia, would prove a reliable means
for assuring a steady flow of reinforcements
and stores is a very doubtful matter. The
last frontier town of European Russia,
Cheliabinsk, is exactly four thousand, seven
hundred and forty-one miles, by the Trans-
Siberian line, from Dalny, and it should be
borne in mind that the track is a single one.
The capacity of the railway for transporting
large reinforcements and supplies in the
event of war may, at first sight, appear to be
rather greater than it actually is. The line
has been designed to admit of nineteen
trains passing each way during the twenty-
four hours; but when we look back upon the
congested state of the traffic, and recall the
delays which occurred in South
Africa, during the Transvaal war, on a far
shorter single line, which was a good deal
superior in many ways, it is hardly likely
that this scheme could be successfully car-
ried out under pressure. Breakdowns must
inevitably occur. In fact, it is probable
that the entire organization would collapse.
Throughout the whole length of the line the
method of attaching the rails to the sleepers
is most primitive and, until the line has been
practically rebuilt, it is hard to see how any
extraordinary increase of pressure could be
borne. Until considerable modifications
have been made, for the conveyance of
troops and large masses of material, the sea
route has a very decided advantage, as was
demonstrated in the sea transport to South
Africa, which showed itself so vastly super-
ior in all points to that by land. It re-
mains to be seen whether Japan will allow
her antagonist the facilities of transport-
ing her reinforcements by sea, and it is
undoubtedly in her interests, at the outset,
to provoke a naval combat, on the results
of which success or disaster to that nation
will depend. Then again, notwithstanding
her immense Army Russia cannot withdraw
her troops from her frontiers in Europe and
Asia Minor, and she has to maintain big
garrisons in the Southern part of her
Empire, where discontent and revolutionary
propaganda is rampant. The war, if war
there is, in all probability, reserves surprises
for the world that are more likely to
"stagger humanity" than the unforeseen, pre-
dicted by Mr. Kruger, and one is justified
in predicting that the first bubble to be
pricked will be the much-vaunted strategical
value of Russia's great railway.

THE latest addition to the P. and O. Steam
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more*, was open for public exhibition in Tilbury
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LOCAL AND GENERAL.

As announced elsewhere in this issue, the
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at 9 p.m. to-day. An excellent programme of
instrumental and vocal items has been ar-
ranged, and the programme will conclude with
the laughable farce, *Ticklish Times*.

THE *Goliath*, battleship, will be sent to the
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THE King has been pleased to approve of the
appointment of Dr. J. M. Atkinson, M.B. (Princi-
pal Civil Medical Officer) to be an Official
Member of the Executive Council of the
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ARTILLERY practice will take place on the
21st, 22nd and 23rd inst. from the hills to the
East of Kowloon Pass Road, in the direction
of Natus' Kok (Kowloon Peak), between the
hours of 8 a.m. and noon daily.

H.E. THE Officer Administering the Govern-
ment has appointed Mr. H. J. Gompertz,
Assistant Colonial Secretary and Clerk of
Councils, to act as a Police Magistrate, with
effect on and from the 11th instant.

THE directors of the Eastern Extension
Australasia and China Telegraph Company
have declared an interim dividend for the
quarter ended Sept. 30 last of 2s. 6d. per share,
free of income tax, payable yesterday.

THE steamer *Queen Olga* arrived at Singapore
from Manila on 8th inst., and it is understood
her master reported having sighted, the pre-
vious day, a large steamer ashore to the east-
ward. There was no confirmation of this report
at the Master Attendant's Office.

VERY widespread interest will be aroused by
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APPROPOS of the present universal interest in
Japanese affairs, the *Strait Times* understands
that a Japanese newspaper is shortly to be
started in Singapore. The promoters of the
scheme are Messrs. F. N. Kishi and M. M.
Matsumoto. The former has had much ex-
perience as correspondent to a number of
papers, vernacular and foreign, in Japan,
while the latter has for some time been editor
of the *Saitan Zasshi* of Nagasaki. Preparations
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THE *Bingo-Maru* collided in Penang Harbour
with the P. & O. *Manila*, not with the *Sumatra*,
as was reported from Singapore.

THE White Star liner *Titanic* reports that
during a heavy snowstorm on Dec. 12 her main-
mast was splintered by lightning. No one was
injured.

M. A. CEZARD, a celebrated Parisian artist,
whose works have frequently figured in the
Paris *salon*, arrived here from Tonking yester-
day. He has been engaged on a lengthy
Mission in the French Colony on behalf of the
Colonial Minister in Paris.

DR. W. J. SIMPSON'S observations and experi-
ments in plague in domestic animals, whilst
engaged in plague work in Hongkong, have
revolutionized our ideas in regard to plague
infection, and taught us that in a plague-in-
fected district animals are liable to plague to so
great an extent as to render the eradication of
the disease a most difficult matter. Hitherto it
is to rat infection that attention has been
almost wholly directed, but in view of recent
observations the rat may play but a minor part
in the spread of plague.—*Ex.*

THE Ministries of Finance and the Ways of
Communication have decided to issue second-
class and third-class tickets to passengers wish-
ing to travel between European Russia and the
Far East by the mail trains and the ordinary
trains. Thus, travellers will not have to pay
the extra charge of £5 13s. hitherto levied, for
a second class ticket by the mail trains. The
authorities, after investigating the matter, have
resolved to simplify the usual formalities in
granting passports to travellers crossing Russia
to the Far East.

THE following is from the *Daily Express*:—
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sionary Society, describing his experiences
in connection with the dreadful famine in
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THE *Court Circular* of 14th ult. announced
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A CORRESPONDENT hears from a scientific
source that a startling development in ocean
cable telegraphy is shortly to be announced.
By the adaptation of simple and inexpensive
means a method has been discovered which
has the effect of greatly increasing the capacity
of existing cables, both as regards the rapidity
of transmission and the facility with which land
lines can be connected with the submarine
wires. There will be a consequential dimi-
nution in cost, and the chief beneficiaries of the
new system will be the newspapers. It is
believed that under the new system the cable
companies will be able to reduce the cost of
press messages to a word from England
to the United States, and still be in a position
to make a satisfactory profit.

MRS. BAY.

THE following hydrographical memorandum,
dated, Commander-in-Chief's office, China, 5th
inst., is published in the *Gazette*:—(1) There
is a 4 1/2 fm. patch with rocky bottom East of
Pengchau, about 1/2 mile long, in north and
south direction in following position:—Peng-
chau 148 ft. N. 80 W.; E. Cone N. 3 W.; Islet
N. 68 E.

(2) There is a 4 fm. patch with rocky bottom
south of Pengchau, in following position:—
Pengchau 148 ft. N. 13 E.; E. Cone N. 53 E.;
W. extremity Mils Pt. S. 36 E.

(3) There is a 3 fm. patch with sand bottom
in the following position:—Peak Rock N. 42
E.; N. mt. Crooked Id. S. 6 E.; E. extremity
Peaked Head S. 56 E. The 4 fms. named in
Notice to Mariners No. 124 of 1903 is the
southern limit of this shoal, which extends S.
E'd. from the mouth of the Shan-tan river.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

The acting Colonial Secretary informs us
that, at the Council meeting, on Tuesday, the
Hon. Gershom Stewart will ask the Director of
Public Works—

(1) Under what conditions are public com-
panies or private individuals permitted to pick
up and obstruct the public highways?

(2) In the event of the party responsible
being dilatory in the completion of work
involving the picking up of public roads, what
powers have the Government to compel them
to proceed with expedition?

(3) Can offenders be fined so much per diem
if found negligent?

(4) Are the crossings provided during the
construction of the low level tramway, where
the public highways are picked up, passed by
the Public Works Department as proper and
adequate for the traffic they have to carry?

CHINA PROVIDENT LOAN AND
MORTGAGE CO., LTD.

ANNUAL MEETING

The seventh ordinary general meeting of
shareholders in the above company was held
at the offices of the general manager, Messrs.
Shewan, Tomes & Co., at 11 a.m. to-day.
There were present: Mr. C. A. Tomes (chair-
man), Dr. J. Noble, Messrs. J. S. Van Buren,
Chow Hing Kee and J. H. Lewis (Consulting
Committee), A. Babington, E. Owen, F. Paget
Hett, W. R. Robertson, G. M. Bain, E. H.
Sharp, Terry, McGubbin, Capt. Evans, Fung
Wa Chun, Si Un and G. Somerville (secretary).

The notice convening the meeting having
been read,

The Chairman said:—Gentlemen, the re-
port and accounts having been in your hands
for some time we will, with your permission,
follow the usual custom and take them as read.
There is nothing in the accounts that calls for
very special mention. You will see the loans
on the provident system have increased by
\$153,000 odd, which is satisfactory, as our aim
is to get as much capital out on these loans as
possible. Charges account is slightly higher, hav-
ing been increased by an expense for some plans
of a property which we, at one time, contem-
plated building upon, but which was afterwards
sold in a block. The other amounts in the accounts
all explain themselves and require no comment.
At the beginning of the year it was a little
difficult to lend on satisfactory security, the
property market being very lifeless. For some
months we had not quite so much money out
on loan as we might have had, but during the
latter part of the year we have had a better
demand and placed considerable amounts on
good properties. Our loans are all quite satis-
factory and we are again able to report a free-
dom from bad debts. Before moving the adop-
tion of the report and accounts, I shall be
pleased to answer any questions. I must ex-
plain that, through some unaccountable error
in printing the report, the report was sent out
without proper supervision and before an error
was detected. The name of Dr. Noble, who had
been invited to join the Consulting Committee,
was, by some unaccountable means, left out of
the report. Proper apology has been made to
him and the same is due to the shareholders.
I cannot explain how it happened. More atten-
tion was paid perhaps to the figures in the
accounts, than to the wording of the report.

There being no questions, the Chairman pro-
posed, Mr. Bain seconded, and it was agreed
that the report and accounts as presented be
adopted and passed.

CONSULTING COMMITTEE.

On the proposition of Mr. F. Paget Hett,
seconded by Mr. Terry, Messrs. J. S. Van
Buren, Chow Hing Kee, Chau Tung Shang,
J. H. Lewis and Dr. Noble were re-elected to
the Consulting Committee.

AUDITORS.

On the proposition of Mr. J. H. Lewis, second-
ed by Mr. Fung Wa Chun, Messrs. A. O'D.
Gourdin and W. H. Potts were re-elected
auditors.

The Chairman:—That is all the business,
gentlemen. Dividend warrants will be ready
on Monday.

THE P. & O. CO.

At the annual meeting of the proprietors of
the P. and O. Company Sir Thomas Sutherland,
as is his wont, made an interesting statement,
interpreted here and there with those touches
of humour with which the chairman of the
premier British shipping company has so well
the happy knack of overlaying his facts. There
is always a long list of, shall we say, real or
imaginary evils besetting the company; but,
and it is usually a substantial but, the
dividend, and indeed bonus now for some
years also, comes out in a satisfac-
tory manner. The most interesting state-
ment as far as our readers are concerned
was the reference to the reduction of fares to
the Far East, the announcement of which we
made a few weeks ago. It will be remembered
that India had already been favoured in this
way, at a time when the Far East had also
looked for a similar reduction on general
lines. The impetus has come, however, from
the completion for passenger traffic of the
Siberian railway. It was here that Sir Thomas
gave one of his happy touches by remarking
that the traveller will now have the great ad-
vantage of proceeding by the Siberian route,
and the still greater advantage of returning by
the P. and O. line. Probably in the long run
the company is likely to be no loser
by the rail route, any more than ultimately the
company has been a sufferer by the great exten-
sion of the Pacific route during the last 35
years—since the days when the San Francisco
run was performed by old paddle-wheel walk-
ing-beast vessels, and the passenger had to go
south and traverse the Isthmus of Panama to
reach New York. That was a time, too, when
report says that Sir Thomas was an eager
exponent of the desirability of the P. and O.
taking up the Pacific run, when he was the
company's superintendent at Hongkong. From
that post he was recalled to the directorate,
and subsequently chairmanship of the P. and
O., and what has been done since then in
expenditure of capital on ships, and of ton-
nage contracted, Sir Thomas was justified in
alluding to it as a time that met with decided
approval by shareholders. If the competition
of the Siberian route was not to be feared as a
serious competitor, but rather as an adjunct to
the passenger list, it may be different with the
mails, but this was a point on which the chair-
man could not enlighten his shareholders be-
cause it was not known yet what were the
views of the Government on the question of
the new contracts.—*L. & C. Express.*

TURF TOPICS.

This morning was the last opportunity
afforded owners of trying their ponies before
the closing of the entries, at 5 p.m. to-day. By
far the largest attendance of spectators I have
seen this season patronised the race course and
took a very keen interest in the gallops. The
weather was delightfully fine and bracing, the
air being neither too warm nor too cool, and early
enthusiasts thoroughly enjoyed the proceedings.
There was, of course, the usual attendance
of owners, jockeys, timekeepers and so on in
addition to the little gathering of ladies, who
usually watch the running operations, and
trials from the balcony of the Grand Stand.
Besides those whose names I have already
mentioned, this morning I noticed Mr. and
Mrs. E. Goetz, Mr. E. R. Ormiston, Capt. Lyons,
Dr. J. M. Atkinson, Mr. D. E. Brown, Capt.
Hodgins, Mr. Ross, of Messrs. Samuel, Samuel
& Co., Japan, and last, but not least, the popular
sport, Mr. H. N. Mody. I was also very glad
to see Mr. Johnston, the ind-fatigable rider,
who has been suffering from fever during the
last two or three days, again on the course, and
I hope he will soon be taking his mounts
around the track. Galloping took place to-day
over both courses, which are keeping in excel-
lent condition. The following were among the
more important trials this morning:—
The ball was opened by *D'Arcy*, who went
for a mile spin, the last three-quarters being
timed 36, 1.10, 1.48.

Algerine was put to a similar gallop, and
accomplished the last three-quarters in 37,
1.09, 1.51.

No. 64, the famous sub, belonging to Mr. W.
E. Gray, galloped for a mile over the inside
course. Time, last 3, 34, 1.09, 1.42.

Following this Mr. Babington's white was
given a spin of a mile and a quarter. Time
34, 1.05, 1.48, 2.22, 2.54.

Dandy made a mile on the outside course in
34, 1.09, 1.45, 2.20.

The famous Tienisin ponies, *Naras* and
Turista, went for a half-mile canter over the
inside course in 4, 1.20.

Representatives of Mr. Radcliffe, Mr. Mac-
Donald and two others galloped, in a crowd, for
a mile on the outside course; last 3 in 35,
1.14, 1.45.

A trio was taken out by Messrs. Mayer,
Gege and Scull, the former having his ashine
pony for swift company. They went for five
furlongs, doing the last half-mile in 33, 1.06.

A mile spin was then made by *Vancover*,
which looked in the pink of condition as she
galloped over the outside course. Time 3,
1.15, 1.51, 2.24.

One of Mr. Lewis's Derby ponies went in
company with *Starling* for half a mile in 1.10.

Mr. Mody's famous No. 74 will now be
known as *Canary Rose*. She was ridden for a
mile in 33, 1.06, 1.39, but finished up looking
rather tired.

After this Messrs. Rutter and Babington's
sub. was put over a mile course in 2.17, doing
the last half in 36, 1.08.

Mr. Mody's Derby grey, *Coronet Rose*, went
for a similar distance over the inside course.
Time 34, 1.07, 1.44, 2.14.

Herschell and another of Mr. Hart Buck's
subs, in company with Mr. Christiani's pony
made a 4 mile in 1.52.

A similar distance was made by *Folke*, which
went very steadily, over the inner track, in 36,
1.11, 1.44.

On the outside course, one of Mr. Craig's
Derby representatives did a mile, the last 3 in
37, 1.13, 1.45.

A trio, consisting of Lieut. Simpson's Derby
and two others, was put to a 4-mile run, and
did the distance in 36, 1.11, 1.49. The Derby
mount was noticed to canter a bit.

Mr. Chater's sub. and Mr. Rutter's Derby
were raced for a mile on the inside course.
Time 34, 1.09, 1.45, 2.16.

Another trio was then started, Mr. Mody's
two subs. and Mr. Dorabjee's sub. going over
a three-quarter mile (inside) in 35, 1.10

TELEGRAMS.

(Reuters.)

The New Japanese Cruisers.

LONDON, 14th January.
The Japanese cruiser *Kanga* has arrived at Port Said from Genoa.

LATER.

H.M.S. *King Alfred* and the Russian cruiser, *Dimitri Donskoi*, are coaling at Suez. The Japanese cruisers, *Kanga* and *Nishin*, are passing through the Canal, and the Russian battleship, *Oshyabia*, has arrived at Port Said.

The United States in the Far East.

President Roosevelt has already selected Consuls for Mukden and Antung, and will send their names to the Senate directly. Congress provides salaries.

An official communiqué at Washington says that the establishment of foreign consulates at Mukden, Antung and Tatungkan will powerfully contribute towards ensuring the "open-door" to which America is irrevocably committed, and also towards the integrity of China and its administrative control of Manchuria.

Diplomatic Appointment.

Mr. W. B. Townley, first secretary of the Legation at Peking, has been transferred to Constantinople.

THE CHINESE IN AMERICA.

Rather an interesting question at the present moment, when the Chinese and Americans are so interested in each other, is, did the Chinese discover America? The claims of Columbus to be the discoverer of the Western World has been several times disputed. The Norwegians assert that "Erik the Red" landed in America five centuries before the great Spaniard sighted the unknown land. The French say that Jean Cousin discovered the American long before Columbus, but now we learn that the Chinese claim to have discovered America. The chief grounds on which this contention is based is that the languages of the red, north-American Indian, and the Chinese are so much alike. One authority says:—

There can be no manner of doubt that there is very close relationship between the Indian dialects and the Chinese language; the resemblance between a large number of words is very striking, and they are alike in their structure, which is monosyllabic. On the other hand, a kind of physical identity proves that the Mexican Indians and the Chinese belong to the same Mongol race. The writer says that when he saw the Indians at Quadrat-Vancouver for the first time he was unable to distinguish them from Chinese and he spoke to them in the language of the Celestial Empire. Chinese women are so well aware of this resemblance that they disguise themselves as Indians in order the more easily to gain admittance into the State of Washington.

Mr. Masters quotes in support of his contention a fragment of the *Yuen-kin-lai-han*, a great Chinese encyclopedia, which runs into more than two hundred volumes. This fragment relates that in a certain year a Buddhist priest arrived in the village of King Chau on his return from a voyage to the Kingdom of Fusang, concerning which he gave various particulars. Fusang was situated to the east of China, and derived its name from the numerous Fusang trees which grew there; these trees grew to the height of bamboos, and the first canes are used by the natives as food. The fruit resembles a pear, and its colour was light red.

This is interesting although perhaps not quite reliable, but there is no doubt that the Chinese have helped materially in the prosperity of California, and it seems very wrong now to try and keep them out from there. The Californians should know the value of the Chinese by this time.—Ex.

INTERPORT CRICKET.

Thus the Straits Times—

The way in which the Hongkong cricket team ate up the Shanghai team at Shanghai last October is well known. What is only known to a privileged few is the overweening confidence the Shanghai warriors reposed in their own cricketing ability. Rumour is a lying jade; but it sometimes tickles our fancy as it did the other evening when we heard that three thousand of the very best dollars were bet on the match, sent down from Shanghai to Hongkong with a request that they be covered by 5 o'clock. This was done in far less time than it takes to write it, and so pleased were the men of Hongkong at the chance of riches which fortune had placed in their hands that they immediately wired for more. More, however, were not forthcoming. Our friend Billings was one of Shanghai's "first choice" for this match. We wonder whether he was a partner in this business enterprise. We trust and think not, for to lay 6 to 1 in hundred-dollar lots and then to get flogged is not what we should expect of a Singapore cricketer.

GENERAL Aide-de-Camp Alexei, of Russia's Viceroy in the Far East, has recently published his opinion of the Pacific Squadron. From October 25 to November 2 the Viceroy was present with the squadron, which numbered 30 vessels, and which passed in review before him. The Viceroy says that he was able to convince himself of the perfect condition of every vessel, and also of the satisfactory health of all the crews. Moreover, having put the vessels through various manoeuvres, the Viceroy was convinced that the organisation on shipboard was a view to naval warfare is perfect, and he was especially satisfied at the firing of the big guns at moving targets.

THE "SHELL" TRANSPORT & TRADING CO., LTD.

The Chairman and Directors submit their report for 1903 as follows:—

Regrettable but unavoidable delay has been caused by the alliance of Eastern Producers, referred to in the last report, being remodelled and extended so as to include important Russian Producers. The protracted negotiations have recently been brought to a satisfactory conclusion, and the Asiatic Petroleum Co., Ltd., has been formed and duly registered.

An amalgamation of interests so extensive and far-reaching has rendered the adjustment of Accounts somewhat tedious, and the settlement of same with the Asiatic Petroleum Co., as from the first July to the 31st December, 1903, has been necessarily delayed.

When no other course was found feasible, estimates were made and submitted to your Auditors, and in the Profit and Loss Account for the current year, the result of the final adjustment, as compared with the estimated figures, will be separately recorded.

Including the amount brought forward from 1902, there stands to the credit of Profit and Loss £246,298 12s. 8d.

Payment has been made of Income Tax to the amount of £11,730 7s. 4d.; Management Commission (including Office Rent, Salaries and Expenses) and Directors' and Auditors' Fees to the extent of £19,088 10s. 0d.; Interest to the extent of £8,023 1s. 1d., and Dividend on Preference Shares to the amount of £26,181 18s. 9d. Provision has also been made of £85,457 11s. 11d. for depreciation of steamers and installations, and of £12,520 for proportion of unappropriated Preference Dividend, and there remains to be carried to the Balance Sheet £9,555 10s. 0d.

Providing for the Dividend paid on the 1st January of this year, there remains to be carried forward the sum of £9,555 10s. 0d.

During the year under review, the capital of the Company has been increased by the issue of 1st par of £1,000,000 in 100,000 Five per cent. Cumulative Preference Shares of £10 each, the whole of which were applied for and allotted. The cost of the issue was £59,191 18s. 1d. of which £0.00 has been written off from Revenue.

The Accounts of the Nederlandsche Indische Industrie en Handel Maatschappij on this side have been submitted to your Auditors, but further particulars being required, reference has been made to the other side, and arrangements have been made for a local audit in the future. The profits of the Nederlandsche Indische Industrie en Handel Maatschappij will, when that undertaking is in a proper working basis, be dealt with separately.

The production of Crude Oil from the Borneo Fields during the year 1903 was 126,600 tons. The current year's production shows a substantial increase.

Your Directors have to announce with deep regret, that since the last General Meeting, the Company has lost by death the services of two valued members of the Board, Mr. James Stevens, who died in March, 1903, and Mr. Jacob Arnold, who died in July, 1903.

Mr. Frederick Lane resigned his seat on the Board on the 30th December, 1903.

On the invitation of the Directors, Mr. William Foot Mitchell, formerly of Japan, and Mr. Robert James Black, formerly of Madras, have joined the Board.

The Directors retiring by rotation are the Chairman, Mr. Benjamin, Mr. Best and Mr. Philip Arnold, all of whom, being eligible, offer themselves for re-election.

The Auditors, Messrs. Turquand, Youngs & Co., retire under Article 100 of the Articles of Association, and are eligible for re-election.

THE TIBETAN MISSION.

The following news arrived in Calcutta on 8th ult.

The occupation of the important post of Phari will, probably have a far-reaching effect both in the Chambi valley itself as well as in Bhutan. The Tibetan force which had collected in the rear of Khamba Jung has apparently disappeared and may have dispersed after the Mission withdrew from that post. The advance of the British force to Jelapla, has evidently been a complete surprise to the Tibetans and the occupation of the fort which practically dominates the road to Tibet and Chambi Valley may perhaps end in a satisfactory termination of the business now in hand. It is believed that General Macdonald has left two or three hundred Gurkhas at Phari and is now camping in the valley about 15 miles off. The Tibetans have a saying that "when the English come to Lhasa rice will grow at Phari" so impossible apparently do they think it for the British force to reach their capital. The troops continue to bear the intense cold very satisfactorily.

Further news from the Tibet mission states that each man digs a hole for himself in the ground at night under his tent and when this has been filled with dry grass and his bed has been laid on top of it, it makes a snug place to sleep in. The men found they had to gasp for breath at first when eating owing to the rarity of the atmosphere but this wears off rapidly. The only case of invaliding amongst officers so far is Dr. Pilkington, 23rd Pioneer, who is down with mountain sickness and liver.

At Gmotong 12,300 feet above sea level the weather is crisp with bright sunshine alternating with thick white fog as the cloud rolled over in the daytime and was very cold at night. The pounds were frozen and the hill streams a mass of icicles, sometimes two feet thick. The climb over the Jelap la pass into the Chambi valley was a stiff one. The top of the pass of 4,700 feet above the sea and the road on the far side which descends nearly 6,000 feet into the Chambi valley is steep and difficult. The valley is a good deal warmer than Gmotong and the inhabitants are exceedingly friendly. Here a useful corps of fifty Mounted Infantry was organised under Captain Ouley. On reaching Phari the Governor of the Tibetan fort camp in

wearing a quantity of jewellery evidently relieved in his mind to discover that the mission was friendly. The only complaint of the escort is there seems to be no prospect whatever of their having any fighting.

Mr. Hayden of the Geological Survey is with the mission but the cold makes the task of examining the strata very difficult. The next pass to be negotiated is the Tang Lax 15,700 feet high. Though a thousand feet higher than the Jelap la it is said to be less difficult to cross owing to its easier gradients.

COMMERCIAL.

WEEKLY SHARE REPORTS.

In their report, dated to-day, Messrs. Erich Georg and Co., state:—

The constantly thickening atmosphere of the political situation in the North, and a higher rate of exchange on London, had a weakening influence on our share market, and business during the week under review has been on a very moderate scale, while quotations have ruled rather unsteady. The sterling demand rate on London is 1s. 10 1/2 p, while the rates on Shanghai are 1s. 7 1/2 for a T.F., and 1s. 7 1/4 to 7 1/2 for three days' sight Private Paper.

Writing under yesterday's date, Messrs. Benjamin, Kelly and Potts state:—

Owing to the continued rumours of war, business has been almost at a standstill and we have but very little to report.

Both the Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Company, Limited, and the West Point Building Company, Limited, have given notice of their sixteenth ordinary meetings of shareholders to be held on the 27th January. The transfer books will be closed from the 16th to 27th instant, both days inclusive.

Banks.—Hongkong and Shanghai Banks have ruled very weak locally and are obtainable at 56 1/2. In London, on the other hand, the stock is said to have strengthened to 56 1/2. Subject to audit, the directors will recommend at the forthcoming meeting a dividend of thirty shillings and a bonus of ten shillings per share, and the addition of \$500,000 to silver reserve fund which will then stand at \$5,000,000. About \$1,400,000 will be carried forward. In anticipation of a good annual report, and owing, to some extent, to the rise in exchange, Nationals have still further improved and are in strong demand at \$35, but without any response from sellers.

Marine Insurance.—No business has come under our notice nor is there any alteration in rates to report. At an extraordinary general meeting of shareholders in the North China Insurance Company, Limited, held in London on the 3rd December last, resolutions with regard to the reconstruction of the company were passed, and same were confirmed at a subsequent meeting held on the 22nd ultimo. The capital now is £500,000 divided into 100,000 fully paid up shares of £5 each. For every share in the old company, shareholders are entitled, on surrendering the certificates for their shares and making request in writing, to receive an allotment of two shares in the new company, with £5 credited as paid up on each, and a warrant (payable on and after this date, at the Hongkong Bank, Shanghai) for Tls. 81.87 for every share in the old company, being the equivalent of £10 at exchange 25 1/2 s. 16th per tael. We quote the new shares at Tls. 69.

Fire Insurance.—Hongkong Fires are down to \$300. China Fires keep steady at \$24.

Shipping.—Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboats have receded to \$31. Indo-Chinas have not maintained their position and after sales at various prices the market closes quiet at \$72. China and Manilas have further declined to \$6. Shell Transports have weakened and close at \$1 1/4. There is nothing doing in other stocks under this head.

Refineries.—We have heard of no business.

Mining.—All stocks in this section are quiet and, beyond a small rise in Chinese Engineering, rates are practically unchanged.

Docks, Wharves and Godowns.—Hongkong and Whampoa Docks are firm at \$09; Farnhams have changed hands at improving rates up to Tls. 124. Kowloon Wharves are still quoted at \$95. Hongkong Wharves have weakened and are offering at Tls. 212 1/2.

Land, Hotels and Buildings.—Hongkong Lands have stiffened and can be placed at \$157. Shanghai Lands have been bought at Tls. 107. Kowloon Lands are wanted at \$36. The company has issued its balance sheet for the year 1903, showing a net profit of \$16,436.55. The directors recommend a dividend of \$1.60 per share. Hongkong Hotels have dropped to \$147, and Astor House Hotels have been disposed of in Shanghai at \$19. Humphreys Estate are steady at \$113. China Providents have again been sold at \$9.80.

Cotton Mills.—Ewos have sellers at Tls. 32. Transactions in Laou-Kung-Mows are reported in Shanghai at Tls. 27 1/2, and in 'ny-Chees at Tls. 170.

Cigar Companies.—Sumatras have advanced to Tls. 53 and are inquired for. Alhammas and Philipines are without change at \$200 and \$10 respectively.

Miscellaneous.—Green Portland Cement has hardened and are in request at \$35. A. S. Watsons have been sold at \$14 1/2, and more shares are procurable. Electrics are unchanged at \$12 1/2 (old), and \$7 (new). Geo. Fenwick's can be placed at \$50. Langkats have changed hands at Tls. 305.

FORTNIGHTLY MARKET REPORT.

Cotton.—Arrivals during the fortnight about 1,900 bales. A decline of \$2 to \$4 per picul failed to induce buyers to come forward in the market; the stock is estimated at about 3,000 bales.

Chinese, Thongchow about 250 bales changed hands at \$32 per picul. Stock is about 250 bales.

Yarn.—A steady advance in the value of silver and the rise in the rate of exchange on India made importers hasty sellers and with a decline of \$2 to \$3 per bale a moderate business

was done of about 2,150 bales is reported. The unsold stock is estimated at about 42,000 bales. No sales are reported in Local production; market closes quiet, but firm. Japanese yarn about 450 bales changed hands at \$137 to \$134 per bale.

Malwa Opium: Sales.—New 7 chests at \$920—4 chests at \$930—6 chests at \$940—13 chests at \$950—Old 16 chests at \$970 and 5 chests at \$980—Older, 4 chests at 1,000, Older 13 chests at \$1,080 and 18 chests at \$1,100; in all about 86 chests. The stock is estimated at about 1,266 chests.

Bengal Opium ruled very firm, and meagre stocks had the effect of an advance in rates. Sales are reported of Patna about 521 chests at \$1,250 to \$1,270, Benares about 113 chests at \$1,250 to \$1,270. The unsold stock is estimated at about 370 chests.

Persian Opium.—Prices show an advance and sales are reported of about 94 chests at \$902 to \$950 per picul. The stock is about 4,988 chests.

Miscellaneous:—Cloves \$20 to \$38 Senna \$5. Oilbunum \$10 to 25 Salpêtre \$10 to \$11 Borax \$17 to 19 Vermilion 87 Beans \$3 to 4 Cassia \$161 to 25 Ivory \$300 to 700.

YARN MARKET.

Messrs. Cawasee, Pallance & Co., in their report dated 15th inst. write as follows:—

The chief factor that has almost ruled our Yarn Market during the fortnight has been the fluctuations in the rate of Exchange on India. Soon after the departure of the last mail a higher tendency in the rupee rate set in which caused a great deal of impatience amongst most of the importers to realize for the goods in their hands. Prices, in consequence, gave way from 6 to three dollars per bale on last mail's quotations without leading to any important business. The Chinese dealers as well as speculators, under the impression of a further rise in the rate of exchange and a decline in the prices of yarn, kept themselves aloof and made purchases for their actual requirements only. The market closes unsteady. A very limited business transpired in No. 20s at a decline of \$1 to \$3 per bale; dealer productions are difficult of sale. Only two chops of No. 16s changed hands; others are not in much request. No. 12s has also suffered a decline and a moderate business is reported. As usual No. 10s moved to a fair extent at declining rates. Nos 8s and 6s are out of favour. Sales during the fortnight comprised of about 1,475 bales of No. 1s to 200 bales of No. 16s, and 400 bales of No. 20s; in all about 2,150 bales. Arrivals per steamers *Bengal, India, Maria Valeria, Arcticon, Apur, and Lalang* are about 9750 bales. Shipments to Shanghai and the Coast Ports amount to about 6,500 bales. The unsold stock is estimated at about 42,000 bales.

Local Productions.—No business is reported. Japanese Yarn.—Sales of about 450 bales @ \$137 to \$134 are reported.

Exchange.—We quote to-day on India at Rs 137 1/2 per \$100. London at 1s. 10 1/2 p.

SHANGHAI SHARE REPORT.

Messrs. J. P. Bisset & Co., write in their share report, dated Shanghai, the 8th instant, as follows:—

The principal feature of our market during the week has been the closing up of the Settlement for December. A very large settlement indeed but disposed of very satisfactorily in spite of considerable losses in some of our principal stocks.

Shipping.—Indo.—Shorts ruled the market at this settlement and holders were obliged to come down to their prices. The market opened on the 23rd with sales at Tls. 54 1/2, 54 1/4 Der. and 54 1/2 March. On the 24th 54 March was again done. 28th 54 and 53 1/2 December and 53 1/2 January. 29th cash sales were effected at 51 and 50, with 52 March. 30th sales at 50. The market closes with buyers at 50 and sellers at 51. Shell Transports are being inquired for but no business is reported.

Docks and Wharves.—A considerable business has been done in Farnhams at improved rates. The market opened on the 23rd with cash sales at Tls. 116, 117 and 116 1/2, and 116 December 118 and 120 March and 119 April. On the 24th December Settlement shares were placed at 116 1/2. 28th cash sales were placed at Tls. 118 with sales at Tls. 117 and 117 1/2 December 121, 121 1/2, and 122 and 122 1/2 March and 123 April. 29th at Tls. 120 and 119, and 120 cash, 123 March, 30th at 120 cash and 123 and 124 March. The market closes steady with buyers at the latter rates, or probably 121 for cash. Shanghai & Hongkong Wharves.—Business has been done at Tls. 217 cash and 217 1/2 and 218 March, and later on the 29th cash sales were effected at 215. The market is steady at these rates.

INDUSTRIAL.—Cottons.—The only business reported is in Laou Kung Mows at Tls. 40. Puffs have been done at Tls. 120. Gas at 107 1/2. China Flour at Tls. 85 January delivery. Maatschappij, &c., in Langkats.—The market opened on the 23rd with sales at Tls. 310, 307 1/2 and 305 December 315 and 320 March, 327 1/2 and 330 April. On the 24th March shares were placed at Tls. 320. On the 23rd March shares were placed at 325. 29th cash sales fetched 324, and 313 and 313 1/2 with sales for March. 327 1/2 and 325 and for April at Tls. 330 and 332 1/2. On the 30th cash shares were done at 315, 312 1/2 and 312 1/2. The market closes with buyers at 317 for cash and 325 for March. Shanghai Waterworks.—A few shares are offering at slightly under present quotations.

Since the date of our last circular (23rd December, 1903) the big Settlement for the end of the year was passed through and very satisfactory, and prices ruling at the end of the year were maintained at the opening of January. Since then there has been a weakening of some of the stocks, particularly Langkats, due largely to the rise in Exchange and an increasing tightness of money. We have prepared a table

of appreciation and depreciation of stocks borne on our market report during 1903. The depreciation amounts to nearly fourteen millions. Of this sum, however, has to be noted a heavy depreciation in Shell Transport and Trading Co. shares amounting to about 7 1/2 million taels, also of Chinese Engineering and Mining Co. of nearly two millions. In these two stocks we are glad to say this part is not deeply interested, but it suffers principally through the depreciation in Farnham, Boyds' which amounts to a little over 3 1/2 millions and in Shanghai and Hongkong Wharves of nearly two millions, while the port has benefited by an appreciation in Langkats of over 3 1/2 millions. A Schedule showing the appreciation and depreciation of all stocks will be issued in a few days and will accompany our next circular. The T. T. rate on London to-day is 2/6 1/2.

TO-DAY'S EXCHANGE.

Selling.	
London—Bank T.T.	1/10 1/2
Do. Demand	1/10 5/16
Do. 4 months' sight	1/10 9/16
France—Bank T.T.	2/33
America—Bank T.T.	45
Germany—Bank T.T.	1/8 1/2
India T.T.	1/37 1/2
Do. Demand	1/37 1/2
Shanghai—Bank T.T.	71 1/2
Japan—Bank T.T.	92
Singapore—Bank T.T.	Nominal
Java—Bank T.T.	111 1/2

Buying.	
1 months' sight L/C	1/10 11/16
6 months' sight L/C	1/10 13/16
30 days' sight San Francisco & New York	45 1/2
1 months' sight	46 1/2
30 days' sight Sydney and Melbourne	1/10 15/16
4 months' sight France	2/37 1/2
6 months' sight	2/38 1/2
4 months' sight Germany	1/9 1/2
1 at Silver	27 5/16
Bank of England rate	4 1/2

OPIMUM QUOTATIONS.

To-day's quotations are as follows:—

	Per chest
Malwa New	@ 90/930
" Last Year	@ 950/1,000
" Oldest	@ 1,040/1,100
Patna New	@ 1,152 1/2
Benares New	@ 1,252 1/2
Persian Paper	@ 830/930

To-day's Advertisements.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of the letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on MONDAY, the 18th day of January, 1904, at 3 P.M., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government, of One Lot of CROWN LAND, at Shau-Ki-Wan, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 Years, commencing from 24th September, 1900, with the option of renewal at a CROWN RENT to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 75 years.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of the Lot.	Locality.	Boundary Measurements.				Contents in Square Feet.	Annual Rent.	Upset Price.
		N.	S.	E.	W.			
1	Shau-Ki-Wan	47'	47'	20'	30'	940	5	470
2	Shau-Ki-Wan	39'	39'	39'	39'	1,520	8	625

Hongkong, 16th January, 1904. [127]

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No. of the Lot.	Locality.	Boundary Measurements.				Contents in Square Feet.	Annual Rent.	Upset Price.
		N.	S.	E.	W.			
1	Shau-Ki-Wan	45'	45'	70'	30'	1,250	8	625

Hongkong, 16th January, 1904. [128]

THE DAIRY FARM COMPANY, LIMITED.

IN ADDITION TO DAIRY PRODUCTS, we are now sending HOME-FEED CAPONS and CHICKENS Daily from our Farm to our Depots, for the Convenience of Customers. Orders need not be sent in a day previous as heretofore.

KOWLOON RESIDENTS should apply at our BRANCH in ELGIN ROAD. Hongkong, 16th January, 1904. [131]

REGULAR STEAMSHIP SERVICE TO NEW YORK.

VIA PORTS AND SUEZ CANAL (With Liberty to call at PHILIPPINE PORTS). PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

1904.	About
"SIKH"	26th Jan.
"SAGAMI"	6th Feb.
"AFRIDI"	To follow.

For Freight and further Information, apply to DODWELL & Co., LIMITED, Agents. Hongkong, 16th January, 1904. [132]

To-day's Advertisements.

THE HONGKONG, CANTON & MACAO STEAMBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE SEVENTY-FIFTH ORDINARY HALF-YEARLY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS of the Company will be held at the Office of the Company, No. 18, Bank Buildings, Queen's Road Central, on SATURDAY, the 6th FEBRUARY, at 12 o'clock NOON, for the purpose of receiving a Report of the Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts, declaring a Dividend, confirming the Appointment of a Director and electing Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 23rd January to the 6th February, inclusive. By Order of the Board of Directors, T. ARNOLD, Secretary.

Hongkong, 16th January, 1904. [129]

Shipping—Steamers.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP CO., LD.
AND
CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAV. CO., LD.

JOINT SERVICES.

TAKING CARGO ON THROUGH BILLS OF LADING FOR ALL EUROPEAN,
NORTH AND SOUTH AMERICAN, WEST AUSTRALIAN, JAVA
AND SUMATRA PORTS.FORTNIGHTLY SAILINGS FOR LONDON AND CONTINENT.
MONTHLY SAILINGS FOR LIVERPOOL.

OUTWARDS.

FROM	STEAMERS	DATE
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"PINGSUEY"	On 22nd January.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"MOYUNE"	On 28th January.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"GLAUCUS"	On 3rd February.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"PAKLING"	On 9th February.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"AGAMEMNON"	On 15th February.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"MELENAUS"	On 21st February.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"RHENEUS"	On 27th February.

HOMEWARDS.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
MARSEILLES, LONDON and A'WERP.	"YANGTSE"	On 19th January.
*LIVERPOOL (With Transshipment at SINGAPORE).	"YANGTSE"	On 19th January.
*GENOA, MARSEILLES and L'POOL	"KEEMUN"	On 22nd January.
LONDON and ANTWERP	"NESTOR"	On 2nd February.
LONDON and ANTWERP	"KINTUCK"	On 15th February.
LONDON and ANTWERP	"MOYUNE"	On 1st March.

TRANS-PACIFIC SERVICE.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA and	"PINGSUEY"	On 24th January.
all PACIFIC COAST PORTS, and	"AGAMEMNON"	On 20th February.
NAGASAKI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA.		

For Freight, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
AGENTS.

Hongkong, 16th January, 1904.

CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LIMITED.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
MANILA	"AVIHI"	18th January, at 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI	"FOOCHOW"	18th "
NINGPO and SHANGHAI	"PAKHOT"	19th "
SAMARANG and SOERABAYA	"SHANTUNG"	19th "
ILOILO	"WUCHANG"	20th "
MANILA	"SUNGKIANG"	21st "
PORT DARWIN, THURSDAY ISLAND, COCKTOWN, CAIRNS, TOWNS- VILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE	"TAIYUAN"	23rd "

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Light—Perfect Cuisine—Surgeon and Stewards carried.
—All the most up-to-date arrangements for comfort of
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Steamship.	Tons.	Captain.	For	Sailing Date.
RUBI	2540	R. W. Almond	MANILA (DIRECT)	SATURDAY, 23rd Jan., at 10 A.M.
ZAFIRO	2540	R. Rodger	MANILA (DIRECT)	SATURDAY, 30th Jan., at 10 A.M.
PERLA	1980	A. H. Nottley		

For Freight or Passage, apply to

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.
GENERAL MANAGERS.

Hongkong, 16th January, 1904.

PORTLAND & ASIATIC STEAMSHIP CO.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG, VIA SHANGHAI, INLAND
SEA OF JAPAN, MOJI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.PORTLAND, OREGON,
OPERATING IN CONNECTION WITH

THE OREGON RAILROAD AND NAVIGATION COMPANY.

Steamship	Tons	Captain	To Sail
"INDRAVELLI"	4,899	R. P. Craven	Jan. 30, 1904.
"INDRAPURA"	4,899	A. E. Hollingsworth	Feb. 13, "
"INDRASAMHA"	5,197	W. E. Craven	Mar. 15, "

Through Bills of Lading issued to Pacific Coast Ports and all Eastern, Canadian and
United States Ports. For through rates of Freight and further information, communicate
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Unrivalled Speed. Fitted throughout with Electric Light. Doctor and Stewardess carried.

Steamship.	Captain.	Tons.	Sailing Date.
ROSETTA MARU	H. S. Smith	3,876	THURSDAY, 21st January, at 11 A.M.
ROHILLA MARU	Ernest Bent	3,869	WEDNESDAY, 27th January, at 11 A.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply at the Company's Office, 3, Queen's Building, Ice House
Street.

Hongkong, 13th January, 1904.

Shipping—Steamers.

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Hongkong, 30th May, 1903.

HONGKONG-MACAO LINE.

S.S. "WING CHAI"

Captain SAMUEL BELL SMITH.

DEPARTURES from Hongkong, on Week
Days, at 7.30 A.M., on Excursion Sundays,
at 8.30 A.M.; from Macao, Week Days at about
2 P.M. and Sundays about 7.30 P.M.FARE: (Week Days) 1st Class (including
cabin and servant), \$3; Return Ticket, \$5,
and Class, \$1; 2nd Class, 50 cents.
On Excursion Sundays, 1st and 2nd Class
Single Ticket, \$2; Return Ticket, \$3. Return
Ticket including Tiffin and Dinner either on
Board or at Macao Hotel, \$5. On Sundays,
\$5 extra will be charged for each cabin with
accommodations for two or more passengers.WHARF—At the Western end of Wing Lok
Street.The Steamer runs an Excursion Trip EVERY
SUNDAY. It takes only 3 1/2 hours to reach
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MING ON & CO.

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Hongkong, 5th January, 1904.DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY,
LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND FOCHOW.

THE Company's Steamship

"HAITAN,"

Captain Roach, will be despatched for the
above Ports, TO-MORROW, the 17th instant,
at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage apply to

DOUGLAS, LAPEIRA & CO.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, 16th January, 1904.

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION
COMPANY, LIMITED.FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND
CALCUTTA.

THE Company's Steamship

"LAISANG,"

Captain E. J. Tadd, will be despatched as above
on TUESDAY, the 19th instant, at 3 P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, 12th January, 1904.

"SHIRE" LINE

FOR HAVRE, LONDON, ANTWERP
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THE Company's Steamship

"RADNORSHIRE,"

Captain C. H. Burch, on or about SATUR-
DAY, the 30th January, 1904.These Steamers have Superior Accommoda-
tion for Passengers.

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SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
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Hongkong, 5th January, 1904.

TO-MORROW.

CHURCH SERVICES.

St. John's Cathedral:—Communion, 7 a.m.
Matins, 11 a.m., Evensong, 5.45 p.m.
Roman Catholic Cathedral:—Mass at 6 a.m.,
7 a.m., 8 a.m., and 9.30 a.m. Benediction,
5.30 p.m.
German Bethesda Chapel, West Point:—
Morning Service, 11 a.m.
St. Francis Church, Wanchai:—Mass (Chin.),
6 a.m. (Port.) 7.30 a.m. Benediction,
5 p.m.
St. Joseph's Church, Garden Road:—Morning
Service (English), 9 a.m.
St. Anthony's Chapel, West Point:—Mass,
8 a.m.
Wesleyan Methodist Church:—Morning Ser-
vice, at St. Andrew's Hall, during the en-
largement of the Church, at 10.15 a.m.
Sunday School and Bible Class at the
Soldiers and Sailors Home, Arsenal Street,
at 3 p.m., Evening Service at the Soldiers
and Sailors Home, at 6 p.m.
Union Church:—Services, 11 a.m., and 6 p.m.

St. Peter's Seamen's Church.

Queen's Road West.

Matins 11 a.m., Venite, Jones; Te Deum,
Woodward; Jubilate, Gitch; Hymns, 276,
364, 394 and 218. Kyrie.

Holy Communion 12.15 p.m.

Evensong 6.30 p.m., Magnificat, Tarle;
Nunc, Tucker; Hymns, 291, 262, 274 and 255.
The Church launch, Dayspring will call on
ships carrying white crews to bring friends
ashore to 10 services between 9.15 and 10.30
a.m., and between 5.15 and 6 p.m. (Kowloon
Police Pier, 10.30 and 6 p.m.); returning af-
terwards. The Answering Bannant is the Call
flag. All the sittings are free and unappropri-
ated. Visitors welcome. Books, &c. provided.
Sunday school 10 to 10.45 a.m.

THE WEATHER.

The following report is from Mr. F. G. Figg,
acting Director of the Hongkong Obser-
vatory:On the 16th at 11.30 a.m. the barometer
has risen over N. China and N.E. Japan, and
is little changed elsewhere.Pressure remains high over N. China, and
gradients are steeper with the monsoon again
increasing in strength in the Formosa Channel
and N. part of the China Sea.

Forecast—fresh NE. winds; fair.

	Jan. 15 at 10 a.m.	Jan. 15 at 4 p.m.
Barometer	30.16	30.05
Temperature	64	66
Humidity	78	67
Rainfall	—	—

CHINA COAST METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

January 16th, 1904, a.m.

Har. Th. Hu. Wind Wv.

	7 a.m.		
Vladivostok	7 a.m.		
Vemuro	6 a.m. 19.96	NW	6
Hakodate	30.05		0
Tokio	30.06	NW	2
Kobe	30.09	SW	2
Nagasaki	30.19	NW	4
Kagoshima	30.15	N	4
Oshima	30.16	N	6
Naha	30.17	NE	2
Ishigakijima	30.09	E	6
Taihou	30.12	E	4
Fuchiu	30.09		0
Taiwan	30.09	N	4
Koshun	30.07		0
Pescadores	30.09	NE	6
Weihaiwei	30.41	N	3
Gutliff	30.42 45 84	N	3
Sharp Peak	30.22 58 88	N	2
Amoy	6.30 a.m. 31.19 50	ENE	2
Swatow	9 a.m. 30.20 51		0
Canton	11 a.m. 30.15 51	E	0
Hongkong	11 a.m. 30.15 51	E	0
Victoria Peak	11 a.m. 30.14	ENE	5
Gap Rock	30.14	ENE	5
Macao	30.13 66	E	1
Haiphong	29.96 77 68	SW	2
Barcelo	9 a.m. 29.87 80	NE	3
Cebu	29.88 82		0
C. St. James	10 a.m.		0

HONGKONG AVERAGE MARKET
PRICES.

Corrected 16th January, 100 cts. per \$ Mex.

BUTCHER MEAT.

	Cents.
Beef sirloin & prime cut—Mei Lung Pa	17
" Corned—Ham Ngau Yuk	17
" Roast—Shiu	17
" Breast—Ngau Lam	13
" Soup, Tong Yuk	13
" Steak—Ngau Yuk Pa	17
" Serjoin—Ngau Lau	26
" Sausages—Ngau Yuk Chung	16
Bullock's Brains—Know	per set
" Tongue fresh—Ngau Li	each
" " corned—Ham Ngau Li	45
" Head—Ngau Tau	5
" Heart—Ngau Sum	5
" Hump, Salt—Ngau Kin	13
" Feet—Ngau Kerk	each
" Kidneys—Ngau Yiu	16
" Tail—Ngau Gon	16
" Liver—Ngau Gon	16
" Tripe (undressed)—Ngau To	9
" Calves Head and Feet—Ngau-chai	tau-keok
" Mutton Chop—Yeung Pui Kw	25
" Leg—Yeung Pui	24
" Shoulder—Yeung Shau	22
" Pig's Chitlings—Chi cheong	2
" Brains—Chi Know	per set
" Feet—Chi Kerk	2
" Fry—Chi Chak	12
" Head—Chi Tau	13
" Heart—Chi Sum	each
" Kidneys—Chi Yiu	pair
" Liver—Chi Kon	24
" Pork Chop—Chi Pui Kwai	18
" Corned—Ham Chu Yuk	18
" Leg—Chu Pui	22
" Fat or Lard—Chu Yau	18
" Sheep's Head and Feet—Yeung Tau	55
" Keok	set
" Heart—Yeung Sum	each
" Kidneys—Yeung Yiu	10
" Liver—Yeung Gon	10
" Sucking Pigs, To Order—Chu Chai	16
" Suet, Beef—Sung Ngau Yau	17
" Mutton—Sung Yeung Yau	20
" Veal—Ngau Chai Yuk	15
" Sausages—Ngau Chai Yuk Tong	15
" Chicken—Kai Chai	25
" Capons, Large, Small—Sin Kai	25
" Ducks—Ap Kai	20
" Doves—Pai Kai	each
" Eggs, Hen—Kai Tan	per doz
" Fowls, Canton—Kai Kai	21
" Fowls, Hainan—Hoi Nam Kai	21
" Geese—Ngai	23
" Geese, Wild Shanghai—Sheung Hoi Ye	15
" Goose—Wong Keng	each
" Hare—Tu Chai	3.60
" Partridge—Che Khoo	55
" Pheasant—Shan Kai	1.45
" Pigeons, Canton—Pak Kup	each
" Hoihow—Hoihow Pak Kup	26
" Quail—Um Chun	16
" Nio Birds—Wo Pa Cheuk	dozen

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HONGKONG METEOROLOGICAL

SIGNALS.

A NEW CODE.

We have received from the Hongkong
Observatory a new code of meteorological
signals which comes into force at Hongkong
on New Year's Day. They are the same as
those at present in use at Shanghai, and will
be hoisted on the mast beside the time-ball at
Kowloon Point for the information of masters
of vessels leaving the port. They do not neces-
sarily imply that bad weather is expected. The
signals are as follows:—A cone point upwards indicates a typhoon to
the North of the Colony.A cone point upwards and drum below in-
dicates a typhoon to the North-East of the
Colony.A drum indicates a typhoon to the East of
the Colony.A cone point downwards and drum below
indicates a typhoon to the South-East of the
Colony.A cone point downwards indicates a typhoon
to the South of the Colony.A cone point downwards and ball below
indicates a typhoon to the South-West of the
Colony.A ball indicates a typhoon to the West of
the Colony.A cone point upwards and ball below indicates
a typhoon to the North-West of the Colony.Red Signals indicate that the centre is
believed to be more than 300 miles away from
the Colony.Black Signals indicate that the centre is
believed to be less than 300 miles away from
the Colony.The above signals will, as heretofore, be
hoisted only when typhoons exist in such po-
sitions or are moving in such directions that in-
formation regarding them is considered to be of
importance to the Colony or to shipping leav-
ing the harbour.

NIGHT SIGNALS.

Two lanterns hoisted vertically indicate bad
weather in the Colony and that the wind is
expected to veer.Two lanterns hoisted horizontally indicate
bad weather in the Colony and that the wind is
expected to back.The signals are repeated on the flagstaff of
the Godown Company at Kowloon, and also,
by day only, at the Harbour Office and on H.
M.'s Receiving Ship.

LOCAL STORM-WARNINGS.

The Colony itself is warned of approaching
typhoons by means of the Typhoon Gun placed
at the foot of the mast, which is fired whenever
a strong gale of wind is expected to blow here.

NOTICE BOARDS.

Notice boards are placed at:—
Joint Cable Companies' Office.
Ferry Company's Pier, Ice House Street.
Blake Pier.
Post Office.
Harbour Office.
Ferry Company's Pier, Kowloon.WEATHER-FORECASTS AND STORM-
WARNINGS are exhibited on the above boards
daily about 11 a.m., and also at other hours,
day or night, whenever necessary. Informa-
tion of importance is also issued by "Express."THE CHINA COAST METEOROLOGICAL
REGISTER is exhibited at the same places daily
about noon. It contains observations made at
Hongkong and at a number of stations in the
Far East, together with Remarks, Weather
forecasts, and information regarding the exist-
ence and movements of typhoons based thereon.

SPECIAL INQUIRIES.

Masters of vessels or their agents may,
whenever necessary, call at the Telegraph
Company's Office in Connaught Road and
send telegrams to the Observatory asking for
special information without charge. Such
inquiries may also be sent from the Police
Station at Kowloon Point which is connected
with the Observatory by telephone.

THE LAW OF STORMS.


Further information concerning the weather
to be expected while signals are hoisted, and
sailing direction, are given in "The Law of
Storms in the Eastern Seas."F. G. Figg,
Acting Director,
Hongkong Observatory, 2nd January, 1904.

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THE SHARE MARKET

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£ 1.10/- @ 1/8 = \$18 for half- ending 30.6.1903	\$642½
£1.96½ for 1902	\$35 b.
	\$10
SURANCES.	
cent = \$32 per share for 1902 ...	\$490 a.
\$1 for year ended 30.4.1903	\$56 s.
of £1 making £4 for 1902	Tls. 69
\$12 for 1901	\$135
\$15 per share for 1902	\$175
URANCES.	
er share for 1901	\$300
share for 1901	\$92½
PING.	
half-year ending 30.6.1903 ...	\$31
10/- per share for 1902	\$72½
= \$5 per share for 1900	\$16
\$33 for year ended 30.6.1903	\$130
= 12% for year ending {	\$50 sa.
30.4.03	\$19
terim of 6d. for 1902	£1 1/-
n of 2 % for 1903	Tls. 30
n of 4 % = Tls. 2.00	Tls. 50 sa.
n of 3½ % = Tls. 1.75	Tls. 47½ s.
ERIES.	
\$7 making \$12 for 1903	\$103
share for 1897	\$10 s.
Tls. 2½ for year ending 30.9.03	Tls. 52½ s.
ING.	

.....	\$1 s.
..... of Frs. 30 for 1903.....	\$600 s.
..... of 1/- per share 28.1.01	\$6 s.
..... of 1/- per share 26.10.03	Tls. 6,20 s.
..... S AND GODOWNS.	
..... \$ 6 for 1 year 30.6.03.....	\$209
..... m of Tls. 5 for 1-year ending	Tls. 124 sa.
..... 1903	\$95
..... m of \$2½ for 1903.....	\$38 s. 
..... 1902	Tls. 212½ s.
..... m of Tls. 5 for 1903	
..... AND BUILDINGS.	
..... 10 cents per share for 1902	\$9.80 sa.
..... m of \$6 for 1903	\$157 b.
..... per share for 1902	\$36 b.
..... m of \$14 for 1903	\$52½
..... first 1-year 1903	\$147
..... or year-ending 30.6.03	\$29 sa.
..... year ending 31.1.03	Tls. 13½
..... cent. for 1902	\$11½ sa.
..... m of 6 % for 1903	Tls. 107 sa

of 60 cents, making \$1 for } 1993	\$15 1/2 b.
period ended 31.10.1903	Tls. 32 s.
of 3 % on account of 1898	Tls. 25 b.
an div. of 4 % on acct. of 1898	Tls. 37 1/2 sa.
period ended 31.12.1897	Tls. 170 sa.
CO COMPANIES.	
for year ending 30.6.1903	\$200
year	\$10
of Tls. 3 per share	Tls. 53 b.
LANEUS.	
\$1.20 per share for 1902	1:5
year	18 1/2 b.
of 5 % for 1903	184 sa.
for share for 1902	37 1/2
for year ending 30.4.1903	\$21
for year ending 30.4.1903	\$7
ativ. and 1 % bonus for 190	\$140 b.
for 1902	\$145 b.

of \$4 for 1903	\$245
for year ending 31.11.1903	\$300
for year ending 31.7.1903	\$124 b.
of \$1 for 1902	\$40 s.
.....	
.....	\$5 s.
.....	
.....	\$94 b.
.....	\$210 b.
.....	
of 6 % making 12 % for year	\$154 b.
.....	\$51 b.
for year ended 30.6.1904	\$97 b.
interim dividend of Tls. 73 paid	
2.1.1903 making so far Tls. 315	Tls. 305 s.
for the year ending 31.10.03	
.....	
.....	\$50
.....	\$25

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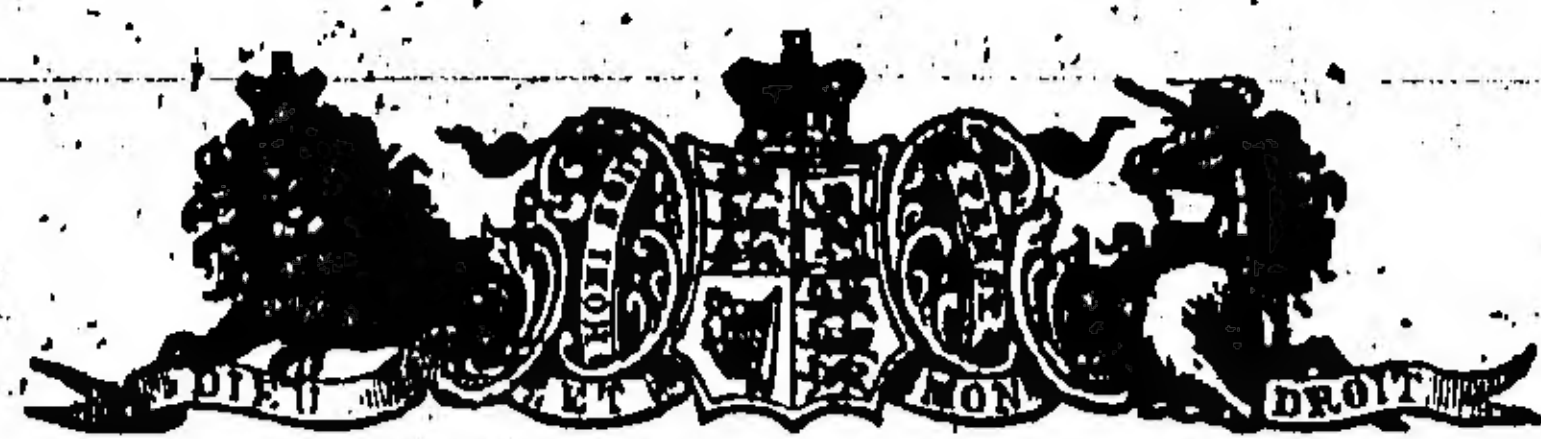
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